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Use of Methoxysalicylaldehyde Derivatives

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**RESPONSE UNDER RULE 111** 

This is in response to the Office Action of September 18, 2002 in the above-identified application, the term for response having been extended three (3) months by including the application, the term for response having been extended allow appropriate fee and petition herewith. In response to the Office Action have make the following changes in the application:

In the claims:

- radiation which comprises combining said protein with a radiation-protecting amount of a methoxysalicylaldehyde prior to exposing said protein to said ionizing radiation.
- 2. (Once Amended) A method according to claim 1 wherein said methoxysalicylaldehyde is 3-methoxysalicylaldehyde.
- 3. (Once Amended) A method of protecting a solid-state protein from ionizing radiation which comprises combining said protein with radiation-protecting amounts of a methoxysalicylaldehyde and 6-hydroxy-2,5,7,8-tetramethylchroman-2-carboxylic acid prior to exposing said protein to said ionizing radiation.
- 4. (Once Amended) A method according to claim 3 wherein said methoxysalicylaldehyde is 3-methoxysalicylaldehyde.
- 5. (Once Amended) A method of protecting a solid-state protein from ionizing radiation which comprises combining said protein with radiation-protecting amounts of a